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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
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SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NUMBER 8 TO COUNTY CONTRACT NUMBERS H-701583 AND H-701584 WITH THE CITIES OF LONG BEACH AND PASADENA FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE FOR BIOTERRORISM**

This is to notify you that I am exercising the authority delegated by the Board on July 29, 2008, to the Director to the Department of Public Health (DPH) to extend the terms of the Agreements with the Cities of Long Beach (County Contract Number H-701583) and Pasadena (County Contract Number H-701584) to August 9, 2010, and to pass through Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) funds to support the upgrade of local public health jurisdictional preparedness efforts to respond to acts of bioterrorism, outbreaks of infectious disease, and other public health threats and emergencies, which is contingent upon receipt of CDC (PHEP) funding for the renewal term with the maximum obligation of these amended grant terms to be determined by the Director of DPH upon receipt of CDC funds, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office and notification of the Board offices.

Under this authority, DPH will execute Amendment Number 8 Agreements with the Cities of Long Beach and Pasadena to extend each term from August 10, 2009 to August 9, 2010. Amendment Number 8 also increase the City of Long Beach maximum obligation by \$1,069,732 (from \$6,666,103 to \$7,735,835), and the City of Pasadena maximum obligation by \$326,319 (from \$1,995,346 to \$2,321,665) to support a wide range of preparedness activities such as: developing emergency plans (including pandemic H1N1 flu); training city staff; conducting epidemiologic surveillance and investigation; maintaining laboratory capabilities; maintaining communication, notification and alerting systems; and sustaining the ability to receive, stage, store, distribute, and dispense medical material in a public health emergency. Each increase is 100 percent funded by the forthcoming CDC U90/CCU917012-10 Base and Cities Readiness Initiative funding categories.

County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office have approved the Amendment Number 8 as to form.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
Acting County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

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